

is granted them for obtaining a Probate thereof in due Form giving security on  
which they with John Rawe and John Bibbe Gent. their security enters into and  
acknowledged their Bond in eight thousand pounds for the due and faithful  
E. Execution of the said will Test John Nicholas 21th

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Ballou of the County of Albemarle being  
sick and weak but of sound Mind and Memory Shakes be to Almighty God for the same.  
do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in Manner and Form  
following Impressed I recommend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it hoping  
for his mercy through the merits and mediation of his son our Saviour Jesus  
Christ and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Decent and Christian like  
manner Item I Give to my dearly beloved Wife Jane all my personal Estate  
during her Natural Life to be applied towards the support of her self and my  
Children till my said Children shall respectively arrive to the Age of twenty or  
years or until my Daughters shall be married which shall first happen in  
order to the further support of my Wife and Children my Well and Desire  
that my wife have full Power and Authority to sell three hundred acres of  
lying and being on State River between the Lands of William Walton and  
Anthony Wunning and that she purchase Slaves with the Money  
from such ~~land~~ and place them on such of my Land as she shall think most  
convenient for cropping and apply the Profits of such Slaves Labour for the  
support and maintenance of her self and Children above mentioned for the  
Term above mentioned and that my Wife after my Children shall arrive to the age of  
twenty years or after my Son arrives to that age and my Daughter marry may  
dispose of what Negroes Stock and other Personal Estate she shall then be possessed  
of to my Children in such sort as she shall think most proper Item I Give and  
devise unto my son Thomas Ballou the Tract of Land and Plantation whereon I now  
live together with twelve hundred acres of Land joining to the same which twelve  
hundred acres of Land were <sup>lately</sup> ~~submised~~ <sup>for</sup> to him and his Heirs for ever Item I Give  
devise unto my Daughter Dorothea Ballou eight hundred acres of Land lying and  
being in the County of Albemarle on the Branches of Black Males Creek being Part  
of my share of a Survey between Col<sup>d</sup> Joshua Fry and others made in Pursuance  
of an order of Council to her and her Heirs for ever Item I Give <sup>to</sup> ~~unto~~ my  
Daughter Micha Ballou eight hundred acres of Land lying and being in the County  
of Albemarle on the Branches of Black Males Creek being other Part of my share of  
above mentioned Survey to her and her Heirs for ever. Item I Give <sup>to</sup> ~~unto~~ my  
Daughter Jane Ballou eight hundred acres of Land lying and being

being on the County of Albemarle on the Branches of Black Miter Creek being another  
 Part of my Share of the above mentioned Survey to her and her Heirs for ever  
 Item I give and Devise all the Rest and Residue of the above mentioned Survey  
 (if there should any fall to my Share over and above the aforementioned two  
 thousand four hundred acres given to my three Daughters) to my son Thomas  
 Ballou and his Heirs for ever I do hereby constitute and appoint my dear Wife  
 Executrix and Mr Samuel Gladwin and John Nicholas Executors of this my  
 last Will and Testament hereby revoking another will by me heretofore made  
 In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal this thirteenth  
 Day of August in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and fifty  
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signed sealed published and declared to be  
 his last Will and Testament by Thomas  
 Ballou in Presence of us who subscribed  
 the same as witnesses thereto in the  
 Presence of the said Thomas Ballou  
 Richard <sup>the</sup> Hall Anne <sup>the</sup> Hall  
 Mark Anne <sup>the</sup> Hall  
 Shadrach Morris Mark

Tho. Ballou (L.S.)

At a Court held for Albemarle County the ninth Day of November 1752  
 Their last Will and Testament of Thomas Ballou who was presented in Court by  
 proved by the Oaths of Richard Hall Anne Hall & Shadrach Morris the Petitioners  
 thereof and ordered to be recorded and on the Motion of the Executors therein  
 named who made Oath according to Law Certificates for obtaining Probate  
 thereof in due Form was granted them giving Security on which they with  
 Samuel Jordan and Thomas McDaniel their Sureties entered into of  
 acknowledged their Bond on <sup>the sum of</sup> one thousand Pounds for the said Executors  
 faithful Performance of this said Will,

I Isaac Bates of the County of Albemarle in Virginia do make my last Will and  
 Testament in manner following In witness whereof I give and devise to my son John  
 Bates to him and his Heirs for ever my two hundred & fifty acres of Land on  
 the Fluvannawitow whercon I now live and also my three hundred acres of Land  
 joining the Land above devised and Phineas Glover Land, Item I give and  
 Devise to my son Isaac Bates to him and his Heirs for ever my four hundred  
 acres of Land on the Branches of Randolph Creek which I purchased of  
 Samuel Badgwater Item I give and devise to my three Daughters Anne Lucie Lucy  
 Bates and Elizabeth Bates to them and their Heirs for ever all my eleven  
 hundred and seventeen acres of Land on Randolph Creek joining the Land  
 of John Cannon John Newson and Stephen Hughes to be equally divided